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ALL-AROUND POSITIVE HOLIDAY MEET AT TURFWAY PARK

Average Daily Handle Jumped 65.6% to \$2.48 Million; Average Starters per Race Increased to 10.5

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021) – Turfway Park delivered positive results in wagering and average field size during its 13-day Holiday Meet, which wrapped up a five-week run Dec. 31.

Despite three fewer race dates compared to 2019, all-sources wagering at Turfway Park soared to \$32.3 million, an \$8.3 million jump and 34.6% increase from last year's \$24.0 million. The average daily handle skyrocketed 65.6% from \$1.5 million in 2019 to \$2.48 million in 2020.

The average starters per race grew from 10.3 horses in 2019 to a strong 10.5 this year, which produced highly competitive racing over the track's newly-installed Tapeta synthetic surface. Installed during the summer of 2020, the new Tapeta surface has received positive reviews from horsemen and jockeys alike and has proven to be a fair and rewarding surface for horseplayers.

Holiday Meet Leaders

Gerardo Corrales (53-15-8-4—\$226,928), who has ridden in the U.S. since 2015 after graduating from the Laffit Pincay Jockey Training Academy in his native Panama, earned his first Turfway Park riding title with 15 wins, four more than runner-up **Albin Jimenez** (56-11-9-4—\$199,469). They were followed in the jockey standings by top money-earner **Rafael Bejarano** (60-10-14-10—\$234,511), **Chris Landeros** (42-9-8-6—\$219,045) and **Santiago Gonzalez** (35-7-5-2—\$100,949).

Bill Morey (21-6-3-2—\$127,900), who relocated to Kentucky from California last year, was the top trainer with six wins – one more than **Wesley Ward** (20-5-3-2—\$101,169) – and also led all trainers in money-won. There was a five-way tie for third between **Mike Maker** (37-4-5-5—\$97,508), **Kenny McPeck** (11-4-2-0—\$78,879), **Brad Cox** (11-4-0-2—\$78,430), **Genaro Garcia** (19-4-2-1—\$58,045) and **John Ortiz** (11-4-0-0—\$42,844).

Ten owners had two winners, including top money earner **Gladys Campos' Campos Family Ventures LLC** (8-2-3-0—\$44,785).

Two horses won twice during the five-week stand: Prairie Bayou Stakes winner **Set Piece (GB)** (2-2-0-0—\$41,740) and low-level claimer **Drink** (2-2-0-0—\$12,600).

2021 Winter/Spring Meet

The Winter/Spring Meet at Turfway Park began Jan. 1 and will continue through March 28. Racing is conducted on a Thursday-Saturday schedule, although there is a special Wednesday, Jan. 6 program. The first race is 6:15 p.m. (all times Eastern) and most programs feature eight races. All Turfway Park races can be watched and wagered on TwinSpires.com, the official advance-deposit wagering service for Churchill Downs Incorporated and its family of racetracks.

Kentucky Derby, Oaks Points on the Line

With increased interest by Kentucky horsemen and Churchill Downs Incorporated's investment and redevelopment of Turfway Park to enhance winter/spring racing on the Kentucky circuit, Turfway Park's Winter/Spring Meet features a nine-race, \$1.045 million stakes schedule, including four stakes that will offer points on the Road to the Kentucky Derby and Road to the Kentucky Oaks.

The \$250,000 Jeff Ruby Steaks (Grade III) for 3-year-olds at 1 1/8 miles has been repositioned to Saturday, March 27 and will offer 170 points on the Road to the Kentucky Derby (Top 4 Points: 100-40-20-10). Additionally, the \$100,000 John Battaglia Memorial at 1 1/16 miles on Friday, Feb. 26 has been added as a "Prep Season" race (Top 4 Points: 10-4-2-1).

The \$150,000 Bourbonette Oaks for 3-year-old fillies at one mile on March 27 will feature 85 points on the Road to the Kentucky Oaks (Top 4 Points: 50-20-10-5) and its prep race, the \$65,000 Cincinnati Trophy at 6 1/2 furlongs on Friday, Feb. 26 will be worth 17 points (Top 4 Points: 10-4-2-1).

2021 TURFWAY PARK WINTER MEET STAKES SCHEDULE

Date	Grade	Purse	Race	Conditions	Distance
Friday, Jan. 15	Black Type	\$65,000	Forego	4&cup	6 1/2 F (AW)
Friday, Feb. 26	Black Type	\$100,000	John Battaglia Memorial Road to the Kentucky Derby Points: 10-4-2-1	3yo	1 1/16 M (AW)
Friday, Feb. 26	Black Type	\$65,000	Cincinnati Trophy Road to the Kentucky Oaks Points: 10-4-2-1	3yo f	6 1/2 F (AW)
Saturday, March 27	III	\$250,000	Jeff Ruby Steaks Road to the Kentucky Derby Points: 100-40-20-10	3yo	1 1/8 M (AW)
Saturday, March 27	Listed	\$150,000	Bourbonette Oaks Road to the Kentucky Oaks Points: 50-20-10-5	3yo f	1 M (AW)
Saturday, March 27	Listed	\$150,000	TwinSpires Kentucky Cup Classic	4&cup	1 1/8 M (AW)
Saturday, March 27	Black Type	\$100,000	Latonia	4&cup, f&m	1 M (AW)
Saturday, March 27	Black Type	\$100,000	Rushaway	3yo	1 1/16 M (AW)
Saturday, March 27	Black Type	\$65,000	Animal Kingdom	3yo	6 1/2 F (AW)

Wagering Menu

As was the case during the Holiday Meet, Turfway Park's wagering menu will feature a 15% takeout 50-cent Pick 5 that starts in Race 1 each night as well as the 15% takeout 20-cent Single 6 Jackpot on Races 3-8. There are two 14% takeout 50-cent Pick 4 sequences on each card with the first offered on Races 2-5 and the second on Races 5-8.

About Turfway Park

Established in 1959 as Latonia, Turfway Park is a Thoroughbred racetrack in Northern Kentucky. The track hosts live racing from late fall through early spring, maintaining the winter dates for Kentucky's year-round live racing circuit, and offers simulcast wagering year-round. Turfway Park recently installed a new all-weather Tapeta synthetic racing surface in 2020 for live racing and has been home to the Jeff Ruby Steaks and Bourbonette Oaks, qualifying races for the Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks, respectively. Turfway Park was purchased by Churchill Downs Incorporated in October 2019.

About Churchill Downs Incorporated

Churchill Downs Incorporated is an industry-leading racing, online wagering and gaming entertainment company anchored by our iconic flagship event, the Kentucky Derby. We own and operate three pari-mutuel gaming entertainment venues in Kentucky: Derby City Gaming; Oak Grove Racing, Gaming, and Hotel; and Newport Racing and Gaming. We also own and operate TwinSpires, one of the largest and most profitable online horse race wagering, online sportsbook and iGaming platforms in the U.S. We are a leader in brick-and-mortar casino gaming with approximately 11,000 slot machines and video lottery terminals and 200 table games in eight states. Additional information about CDI can be found online at www.churchilldownsincorporated.com.

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